UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT DISTRICT OF SOUTH DAKOTA

CENTRAL DIVISION

BRYAN WARD WHITEPIPE,

CIV 08-3007

Petitioner,

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ORDER DENYING CERTIFICATE OF APPEALABILITY

DOUGLAS WEBER, Warden, South Dakota State Penitentiary,

-VS-

Respondent.

TO THE EIGHTH CIRCUIT COURT OF APPEALS:

Petitioner filed a challenge to the 2003 revocation of probation and five year sentence imposed as to his 2002 state forgery conviction pursuant to 28 U.S.C. § 2254. The petition was denied as untimely, Doc. 7. Petitioner filed a notice of appeal, Doc. 11. The notice of appeal may be treated as an application for a certificate of appealability. <u>Tiedeman v. Benson</u>, 122 F.3d 518 (8th Cir. 1997).

Pursuant to 28 U.S.C. § 2253, a certificate of appealability may issue only if the applicant has made a substantial showing of the denial of a constitutional right. Petitioner did not and has not made a substantial showing of the denial of a constitutional right.

IT IS HEREBY CERTIFIED that there does not exist probable cause of an appealable issue with respect to the Court's order denying petitioner's § 2254 petition. This in no way hampers the petitioner's ability to request issuance of the certificate by a circuit judge pursuant to Fed. R. App. P. 22.

Dated this 22 day of June, 2008.

BY THE COURT:

CHARLES B. KORNMANN

United States District Judge

ATTEST:

JOSEPH HAAS, CLERK

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